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# DAILY INDEPENDENT

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## TIME NOW HERE FOR MUCH NEEDED CLEAN-UP ABOUT MONESSEN

The condition of Monessen from a sanitary standpoint is causing no little comment on the part of the public as the spring days approach. Whether there has been insufficient activity on the part of those in charge of this department of the city administration or whether it is just an impossibility to make people clean their premises and keep them clean, is the question on the mind of many people. Cross lots, back lots and vacant lots are poluted with garbage, tin cans, rubbish, refuse and waste, and there are parts of town that present an unsightly and disgusting appearance. If you doubt this, walk through some of the down town alleys and glance into the back yards.

Who is going to clean up? That is the question that confronts us at this time. Last year was the first for some time that countless wagon loads of refuse were not hauled away at the expense of the taxpayers. This year the taxpayers will stop, look and listen before they will permit of this additional burden. The apartment district does not seem to have the proper restrictions. Landlords are careless in many cases and tenants think all they have to do is get rid of their refuse. Much of it is thrown out upstairs windows and dumped on vacant lots to be devoured by the elements.

Now is the time to make a clean sweep of this issue. Get into the places where the most accumulation is to be found and serve warrants on the people that they must clean up their premises. The town needs a wholesale crusade and now is the time to start.

## Jesse Hancock For Treasurer

Jesse Hancock, banker of Monessen, who made such a good run for the Republican nomination for county treasurer four years ago, will come before the voters again in September for the same honor. He commands the highest regard in the valley where he received such loyal support before.

Tomorrow at the Olympic "Damon and Pythias" in six reels. One of the best pictures ever produced. 1t

Shaving supplies of every good make.—See Kirk's window.

## Suffrage Notes From Out Over the County

The Jeannette Suffrage association held its first regular busines meeting at the home of the president, Mrs. Geo. W. Daum, Second street. Some interesting papers were read, and plans were discussed how to finance their campaign. They plan to reach the public with a papular Suffrage photo play in a short time.

Latrobe Suffragists held a successful cake sale Saturday, the 13th. Suffrage exhibits are displayed in the windows of four leading Latrobe druggists. They are attracting a great deal of attention; crowds gather and many favorable comments are heard.

The West Newton Suffrage association will hold its next meeting at the home of H. W. Null, Wednesday, February 24th, at 2 p. m.

The Irwin Suffrage association are giving a home talent play in the Irwin opera house on the evening of February 26th. It is a comedy in two acts and is replete with musical specialties. It is under the efficient management of the local popular young manager, Albert Carson Seats 25c and 35c.

## HONORS THRUST UPON HIM CAME TOO FREELY

George Gilmore of Webster, was given a hearing before Burgess Dunlap this morning, charged with drunkenness. George had made the threat yesterday morning while in the cell that under no circumstances would he work on the streets. At the hearing he said he wasn't talking it was the whiskey that had spoken. George said he left home with good intentions and went to Monongahela Monday where he met some "friends" who insisted on him taking a few drinks. He took several and they insisted on buying and George continued to accept their hospitality. When he was ready to leave the town he had no money and decided to go home on a freight. He got on all right but the train didn't stop at Webster and George came on to Monessen where he alighted. He went to the police station where he remained over two nights. Yesterday morning he was too drunk to appear for a hearing and he was allowed to sleep over until this morning.

The burgess released him without a fine, promising that if he came back to town with such a load on, he would be sentenced to street labor and would be compelled to work.

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San Tox Greaseless cream, soothing and cooling.—See Kirk's window.

## Case Now on for Strip of Ground

The suit of A. Brautegam against Dr. A. R. Wilson for the possession of five inches of ground on Donner avenue, is being tried before Judge Doty. The three story brick building belonging to Dr. Wilson is said to be about five inches on Mr. Brautegam's lot and failing to make an amicable adjustment of the claim, suit was brought.

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## WOMAN OF "YELLOW HOUSE" RELEASED ON LACK OF EVIDENCE

The Wireton disorderly house case was called for a hearing last night before Squire Watkins. Margaret Saunders, a negress, occupied the little yellow house on the bank just as you enter Wireton from the borough, and while the house has always born a bad reputation, there has been considerable gossip about the place of late.

Several times the police have been notified that money was taken from visitors to the place. As a blind a "restaurant" is nearly always in operation and visitors first frequent the restaurant. Saturday night Constable Woolsey accompanied by other officers, went to the house to make a raid. They found only one woman and several men, both white and colored. All the inmates were arrested. Some put up forfeits for a hearing, others were confined in jail.

At the hearing last night there did not seem to be sufficient evidence to hold the woman on the disorderly conduct charge and all the prisoners were discharged. One of the parties who had put up a forfeit of $10.00 failed to appear at the hearing. There seemed little doubt in the mind of the justice that the information alleged fit the case but the actual evidence against the woman was not obtained and she was exonerated without cost.

"The Gallantry of Jimmy Rodgers" in two reels, featuring Francis Bushman, one of the leading movie actors and "The Lure of the West" are some of the good pictures at the Olympic today.

San-Tox Toilet goods. See Kirk's window.

## Special Officer at the Olympic

F. L. Watts has been appointed by the management of the Olympic theatre as head usher and while the theatre is crowded nightly to its capacity, people experience little confusion in getting seats.

The Olympic theatre is having a great run at present. The continuous performance of the latest pictures together with the new pipe organ makes an attraction unsurpassed in the larger citites for the price. The house is always comfortable, clean and orderly and people of the town and vicinity certainly appreciate the service that Manager Sotus has provided.

San-Tox Tooth Paste, 25c. See Kirk's window.

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| 5 room flat and bath | 27.00 |
| 4 room flat and bath | 22.50 |
| 4 room flat and bath | 20.00 |
| 5 room flat and bath | 20.00 |
| 3 room flat and bath | 15.00 |
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"DAMON AND PYTHIAS" — AT OLYMPIC

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**New Colonial Billiard Room and Bowling Alleys**

403 Donner Ave. New Myford Bldg.

Finest alleys, best equipped room. A refreshing place to spend your spare time. Cigars and confections on sale.

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# Died of a Scratch

John Zane, a well known Italian, aged 33 years, died Monday afternoon at No. 19 Donner avenue of pyemia after about a week's illness. The funeral will be held Wednesday, likely from St. Leonards church on Schoonmaker avenue with interment in Grandview cemetery.

Deceased was employed at the Page mill and received a slight scratch on one hand which developed into pyemia which is a very rare infective, this being the first of its kind ever known in Monessen


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| Fresh Winter Caught White Fish | 18c |
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| Unexcelled Halibut Steak | 16c |
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| Black Bass | 25c |
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We handle the celebrated Irma brand oysters, packed by the Wm. B. McCaddin Co., Baltimore, at 35c and 50c per quart.

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# Local Notes

Mrs. Julia Reagan of the Park hotel, was a business caller today.

Homer Smith of the Park hotel, was a business visitor in the city today.

"Damon and Pythias" in six reels at the Olympic theatre Thursday. It

Mrs. Hugh Jones of Schoonmaker avenue spent the day with friends in McKeesport.

Mrs. J. F. Mitchner of Braddock avenue, spent the day with friends in Monongahela.

Mrs. Harry Baker of Reed avenue, went to Greensburg today to spend several days with friends.

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The Misses Henrietta and Caroline Schone left Monday for Indiana where they will attend the state normal school

Mrs. W. E. Henry of Essen, left this morning for Allbright, W Va. where she will visit friends and relatives for a few weeks

Mrs. W. F. Rice of Swissvale, is visiting her mother, Mrs. W. H. Thomas of Donner avenue, and will likely remain a week

Marriage license was issued in Cumberland, Md. yesterday to Leo Joseph Claybaugh and Marie Alberta Bertram, both of Charleroi.

Mrs. George Irons and Mrs. John Irons of Gibsonton, visited Mr. Irons today, who is under treatment at the Allegheny Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Miss Alma Warner of Sharon, is visiting her friend, Miss Dagmar Lundberg of Morgan avenue. She will likely remain several days.

Miss Mayme Clark returned to her home in Elizabeth today after visiting her friend, Mrs Hugh Jones of Schoonmaker avenue for the past few days.

Peter Beese, aged 68 a coal miner of West Newton, was instantly killed by a Baltimore and Ohio train early yesterday morning. His body was found by a track walker.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the A. O. H. will hold a penny Valentine carnival on Tuesday evening, Feb. 16 at Kelly's hall. No admission. Everybody welcome. Lots of fun. 9-2t

# Cunningham Resigns

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb 16—Deputy Attorney Jesse E. B. Cunnigham yesterday resigned his office. Governor Brumbaugh accepted and gave him a letter of appreciation of his eight year service to the state. Cunningham will associate himself with one of the prominent attorneys of Harrisburg on March 1 and reside here.

Cunnigham was appointed second deputy attorney general by Edwin S. Stuart in 1907, after having served as district attorney with M. Hampton Todd, then attorney general and James Scarlet in the trial of capitol cases and later was appointed first deputy where he was retained by Gov. Tener.

# Postoffice Robbery

The postoffice at Wilpen, seven miles from Ligonier, was entered by robbers about three o'clock Monday morning and an effort made to blow the safe. The outer door of the safe was blown off but the inner doors remained intact. Considerable damage was done to the interior of the building.

# LAD ENTERS A PLEA FOR KILLING FRIEND

John Teslovich, aged 18, when arraigned before Judge Marchall Brown in Quarter Sessions court, Pittsburgh, yesterday charged with the killing of Stanley Ris, entered a plea of guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to Huntingdon late yesterday afternoon. There was no objection to the plea from the commonwealth and Benjamin L. Steinberg, who represented Teslovich, introduced a number of character witnesses, including the cashier of a bank at Roscoe, the mine foreman and the secretary of the miners' union of which the defendant was a member. All testified to the defendant's reputation. After hearing the testimony Judge Brown retired for 30 minutes, returning with the opinion fixing the degree of the crime as voluntary manslaughter and then passed sentence.

The fatality came as the finale of a quarrel over a pipe valued at 5 cents. Teslovich claimed ownership and when Ris disputed the title a quarrel followed in which, it is said, Teslovich drew a revolver and shot Ris through the right side.

The killing occurred at Manown, near the Washington county line on October 24, and Ris was removed to Monogahela and placed in the hospital where he died shortly afterwards. The principals were miners in the Alice mine at Manown.

# Olympic's Good Bill

Today—"The Girl in Secret Service" in two reels. The Olympic theatre patron are witnessing one of the best weekly pictures. Every Tuesday, the famous Lucille Love serial picture producers, Grace Cunard and Francis Ford are taking part in another great serial picture, "The Girl in Secret Service in two reels. Every picture is a complete story in itself. Remember that Grace Cunard and Francis Ford are tragedians as well as comedians, second to none in America The story of this pecture is now published in the Monessen News. Remember also that the Monessen News will publish the story of the wonderful serial picture, "The Exploits of Elaine." The first episode will be here Monday, March 1st, and the following episodes thereafter every Wednesday.

Thursday is the day of "Damon and Pythias." The world's truest friendship, showing the reason of the foundation of the Knights of Pythias lodge. Tickets are being sold by the Knights of Pythias members everywhere, also at the Olympic theatre. The show will be on from 10 a. m. to 11.30 p. m, continuous. 1t

# Paid for Shooting Dog

Edward Stevens and Harry Hostetter, Mount Pleasant policemen were tried a few days ago for shooting Frank Kafoury's spotted dog because it was alleged the dog had bitten one of the city councilmen The men of the blue uniform were adjudged guilty of no crime in killing the dog but were asked to pay all costs in the case The two policemen were re-instated on their old beats on their own recognizance and allowed ten days in which to pay the costs.

# Child Strangled to Death

Mary Cecelia Maiers, the seven months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Maiers of Latrobe, strangled to death Saturday morning by slipping from the high chair at the breakfast table and lodging with her neck between the table and the chair. The mother had seated the child at the table and then went upstairs to attend to other work. To her horror when she returned, she found the child dead. The funeral was held yesterday.

Last night at the Olympic pool room, Harry Lebowitz played Will Eller in the pool tournament in place of R. E. Stewart as scheduled. A very interesting game was played and witnesed by a large crowd of interested spectators. Lebowitz won by a score of 100 to 69.

The Supreme Court, sitting at Philadelphia will hear the Harry E. Filler case about the first Monday in March. Attorney Ralph D. Hurst, counsel for Filler, will argue for a new trial.


**FOR RENT**

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| 5 ROOMS, BATH | $20.00 |
| 4 ROOMS, BATH, LAUNDRY | $20.00 |
| 5 ROOMS, BATH | $22.50 |
| 4 ROOMS, BATH | $15.00 |
| 4 ROOMS, BATH | $18.00 |

W. S. Robinson



# An Open, Square, Aboveboard, Direct Appeal to the Intelligence and Judgment of the People

**The railroads of Pennsylvania and New Jersey believe that the public should be fully advised concerning the Full Crew laws in these states. Costly experience has demonstrated that these laws have worked to the detriment of public interest and that their repeal would redound greatly to the advantage of the people.**

## Not a Fight On Trainmen

**The railroad companies making this announcement wish the public to clearly understand that this appeal is in no way to be construed as being aimed at the trainmen in their employ, nor is it an effort to curtail operating expenses at the cost of public safety or service.**

**The companies point to the fact, with justifiable pride, that whenever public safety and convenience demanded an increased number of employes the necessary men were put on trains. Behind this statement is a record of advancements and improvement achievements which is a most vital factor of calm and dispassionate consideration of the laws in question.**

**But when arbitrary laws are passed which compel these railroad companies to burden their payrolls with some $2,000,000 annually for wasted, unwarranted extra labor, and which actually means a decrease, rather than an increase, in operating efficiency, together with heavier casualty lists, it is undeniable that the public should be put in full touch with existing conditions that the people may judge wisely for themselves should an effort be made to impugn the sincere motives which prompt this educational campaign.**

## How Full Crew Law Works

**A twenty-nine-car freight train can be operated with five men. Add a car and an extra man must go on. The law requires no larger crew on a hundred-car train.**

**A four-car passenger train can run with five men. On a five-car or longer train there must be an extra man. Even if all the cars are Pullmans, with porters and a Pullman conductor, a six-man railroad crew is required.**

**A milk or express train of twenty or more cars, running through, sealed, and virtually without stops, must carry a crew of six. The only place four of them would ride would be in the end car.**

**When the Full Crew law became effective in Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Railroad Lines East of Pittsburgh and Erie were operating in Pennsylvania 2,971 weekday trains. Of these, 1,198 passenger and 1,061 freight trains were manned up to or beyond the law's requirements.**

**The 1,198 passenger trains which were provided with crews equal to or in excess of the law's requirements consisted principally of local or semi-local trains, making frequent stops and handling a large number of passengers. The second brakeman was employed to expedite the departure of trains from stations and to assist conductors in collecting tickets.**

**The 1,061 freight trains on which the law required no additional men consisted of local freight trains carrying package freight, on which brakemen were required to load and unload cars; road shifters, doing a large amount of work, necessitating the throwing of switches and much hand braking on cars; mine trains, placing empty cars and picking up loaded cars, and through slow freight trains of heavy tonnage on the Philadelphia and Middle Divisions on which the brakemen riding on the front part of the trains were required to assist the firemen.**

## Official Casualty Statistics

**The effect of the Full Crew laws in forcing extra men into already adequate train crews, thus dividing responsibility, has been to increase the hazard of operation. This fact is conclusively proved by the official figures of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The great number of persons killed who were neither employes nor passengers have not been included, for it is obvious that extra men on trains are powerless to prevent such casualties.**

**The Pennsylvania Full Crew law took effect on July 19, 1911. The Commission's figures show that for the three-year period preceding this date 10,186 employes and passengers were killed. Since the law became operative, the total number killed shows an increase, or 10,372 persons.**

**The casualty list of the Pennsylvania Railroad for the six months preceding the enactment and the first six months of 1914, when the law was in full force and effect, discloses the following startling comparison:**

| | Before Law, First half 1911 | | Under Law, First half 1914 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Killed | Injured | Killed | Injured |
| Trainmen | 15 | 1046 | 16 | 1699 |
| Passengers | 1 | 99 | *2 | 141 |
| | 16 | 1145 | 18 | 1840 |

*Fell from train.

## What the Extra Man Costs

**Twenty Railroads in Pennsylvania and New Jersey last year paid in employment of superfluous brakemen .$2,000,000**
**That would have bought.....200 steel coaches**
**It would have bought.....80 locomotives**
**It would have paid for.....67,000 tons of rails**
**It would have returned 5% on.....$40,000,000**
**It would have block signaled.....800 miles of track**
**It would have eliminated.....65 grade crossings**

## Rejected by Other States

**A Full Crew law was enacted in Missouri and signed by the Governor in April, 1913. In November, 1914, it was submitted to a referendum vote. The people repudiated the law by a vote of 324,085 against 159,593.**

**A proposed Full Crew law for Texas failed to pass owing to the popular protest against it, led by the farmers.**

**In 1907, Governor Charles E. Hughes, of New York, vetoed an attempt to enact a Full Crew law in that state.**

**In 1912, Governor John A. Dix, of New York, also vetoed a Full Crew measure.**

**Governor Foss, of Massachusetts, vetoed a Full Crew bill passed by the legislature.**

**In 1913 the State Assembly wisely referred a Full Crew law to the Railroad Commission of Connecticut, who promptly condemned it.**

**Governor Cruce, of Oklahoma, vetoed a Full Crew bill in 1913.**

**Attempts to enact Full Crew laws in Colorado, Delaware, Virginia, and Ohio were defeated.**

**In Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, and Maryland such laws are in force. In the interest of the public, the railroads, and the great body of railroad employes, these burdensome laws should be repealed. In Pennsylvania, approximately 65,000 men are employed in train service. Only 2,500 of these are extra brakemen.**

## Will Wage a Just Fight

**Railroads operating in Pennsylvania and New Jersey are determined to place their case squarely and fairly before the people of those states. They are firmly convinced that the people—all of whom, without exception, are affected more or less directly by the imposition of this annual $2,000,000 burden, and thousands of whom are direct sufferers—will, knowing what a continuation of these harmful laws means to them, voice their wishes in no uncertain way to their elected representatives at Harrisburg and Trenton.**

**This campaign of public enlightenment will be waged by the railroads in a manner that cannot possibly be legitimately assailed. There will be no lobbying, no star chamber conferences, or private deals to influence public opinion or legislative action. The campaign will be fought in the open, purely on its merits.**

## Railroad Pledge to Trainmen and Public

**Definitely and finally to give public notice that the railroads ask only a square deal all around in this matter, the presidents of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Philadelphia & Reading Railway Company and Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, in announcing on February 9 that the railroads intended to work for repeal of the Full Crew laws, pledged themselves as follows:**

**"Let us add that if there shall be evidence that without such laws the railroads would underman trains, to the hardship of employes or the detriment of or danger to the public, that, assuming the present Public Service acts do not give to the commissions ample powers to determine what crews are necessary on different trains and to compel the railroads to man trains as ordered, we will openly support such amendments to the present acts as may be necessary to give such assurance."**

**The railroads now appeal directly to the people, who demand the greatest safety at all times and who realize that a policy of wise economy, and not one of wasted revenue, will enable the railroads to adequately fulfill their obligations and meet those demands as they should be met.**

**R. L. O'DONNEL,**
**Chairman, Executive Committee, Associated Railroads of Pennsylvania and New Jersey.**

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## CALLED ON GOVERNOR

**Labor Men Discuss Compensation With Brumbaugh.**

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—When a committee of labor men called on Governor Brumbaugh at the executive mansion and asked that he support a workmen's compensation law modeled after the Ohio act, the governor stated that there are three elements that should be given consideration above everything else.

"First," he said, "to enact a law that would make compensation positive without any possibility of an employer avoiding the liability; second, to expedite payments and prevent litigation in the courts, and, third, to conserve life and limb by making the employer put in adequate safety devices, thereby preventing accidents and the necessity of paying compensation.

In connection with this third element, Governor Brumbaugh commented as follows: "Gentlemen, you of course recognize the fact that it is far better that the state prevent accidents through good laws than to merely provide compensation to a man when injured. Better that he be not injured at all."

There were forty-eight labor men in this delegation, and it is the first time that so many toilers visited the executive mansion in a body. When the governor entered the room he said to his visitors: "Gentlemen, make yourself at home; this is not my house any more than it is yours. I'm but a temporary occupant."

## SCARCITY OF MONEY

**Legislature Will Have Difficult Time Satisfying Everybody.**

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—According to the report of the state board of charities, this legislature cannot afford to appropriate any moneys for additions and improvements to private and semi-private hospitals. The appropriations to these institutions must be used for maintenance and nothing else.

Applications for funds that came before the state board of charities totalled approximately $22,000,000. Recommendations were made for something like $13,000,000. The "cuts" are general, there being hardly a hospital in the entire state that is recommended for the amount it applied for.

Auditor General Powell is authority for the statement that the legislature has about $55,500,000 available for appropriations for the next two years. This is apparently $11,000,000 less than the actual appropriations of the 1913 assembly.

## STRAIGHT PROHIBITION

**Glenn, of Venango, Offers Amendment to Wipe Out Liquor Traffic.**

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—Not only must the present legislature consider a county unit local option bill, but it will also have to take up for consideration a prohibition amendment to the state constitution. The amendment, offered by Glenn, of Venango, is as follows:

"The manufacture, sale, barter or exchange of intoxicating liquors or beverages, whether spirituous, vinous, malt or brewed, is hereby forever prohibited in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, excepting the manufacture and use of alcohol for medical, scientific or mechanical purposes. The general assembly shall enact suitable laws for the enforcement of this article and for regulating the manufacture and use of alcohol for medical, scientific or mechanical purposes."

## HARRISBURG JOTTINGS

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—A bill to appropriate $500,000 to reimburse those whose cattle were slaughtered because of the foot and mouth disease has been reported out of the senate committee and is sure to be passed and approved.

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Representative William D. Walton, of Lawrence county, is author of a bill to place the police and fire department employes in third class cities under civil service.

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The state senate sent a committee to attend the funeral of Congressman-elect Brown, of the Lawrence-Beaver-Washington district. Mr. Brown was lieutenant governor under Governor Pennypacker.

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Governor Brumbaugh has appointed Superintendent of Schools Jacobs, of Philadelphia, to a place on the state board of education.

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The woman's suffrage amendment passed the house last night and was immediately sent to the senate.

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Leaders of the anthracite miners' lobby wishes it understood that they have not yet authorized the presenting of any bills affecting the hard coal district. Those put in to date represent the thought and wishes of individuals, rather than the sentiment of the United Mine Workers of America.

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Senator E. E. Beidleman has been chosen by a majority of the senate to succeed Senator Kline as president pro tem. of the upper branch.

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Representative Dunn, of Philadelphia, comes forward with the biennial bill to abolish ticket scalping and the theater ticket agencies in hotels.

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A bill to create a board of registration commissioners in every third class city is being sponsored by Representative W. W. Jones, of Lackawanna. Two would comprise the board and they would name all precinct registrars. The governor would appoint the commissioners.

### A Short Lived Race.

The average duration of life is shorter in New Guinea than in any other country, possibly owing to the peculiar diet affected by the natives, who devour with gusto the larvae of beetles dug out of decayed tree trunks, and habitually drink sea water when near the coast. "The people die off at about forty," we are told in Sir. A. E. Pratt's "Two Years Among the New Guinea Cannibals." "We saw one very old man, who may have been about sixty years of age the only example of longevity that we came across. He was bent almost double and had a long, white beard. His fellow tribesmen regarded him as a great curiosity, and brought him to see us. Despite the decrepitude of his body, however, there was no trace of senility. His senses were unimpaired, and the poor old creature showed great gratitude for a gift of tobacco."

### The Chimera.

The chimera was a fabulous monster with a lion's and a goat's head, a serpent's tail and a goat's middle, which inhabited the dreadful mountain of Lycia, in Greece, and defended itself against attack by vomiting flames of fire. It was at last conquered by Bellerophon, the god of war, who mounted it on the famous horse Pegasus. The strange combination of the form of the chimera was evolved from the fact that the terrible Lycia was partly a burning mountain, with here and there a desolate wilderness, the resort of lions, and occasionally a few fertile spots where goats did congregate, while at the foot of the great hill was a swamp infested with snakes. From this curious creation of superstition sprung the origin of the word "chimera," in designation of an idle fancy or a foolish creation of the brain.

### Naval Stores.

Answering the question, "What is the derivation of the term 'naval stores' (applied to rosin, turpentine, etc.) and why are they so called?" the New York Sun says:

"It seems odd that the change from the stately frigates of our navy to mere machinery proves so long established that the meaning of naval stores is perishing. When fleets maneuvered under canvas the prime stores of the navy were tar, pitch, and turpentine, famous products of North Carolina, therefore in all propriety naval stores. The modern fighting ship has no rigging to be tarred down and needs no tar. Her decks are calked with a pneumatic riveter and need no pitch, hot or cold, no matter what may be to pay. But the name outlasts the use."

### That Ruffled Air.

The judge made jokes, the witnesses looked weary, the counsel declaimed and cross examined, the twelve good men and true twiddled their thumbs and the usher ushed whenever necessary. Altogether it was a model court. "Now, ma'am," cried the cross-examining K. C., "was the defendant's air when, as you allege, he promised to marry you perfectly serious or was it on the contrary lofty and full of levity?"

"It was all ruffled," replied the plaintiff, "with no rumpin' in and throwin it."—London Mail.

### Odor of Iodoform.

The odor of iodoform can be removed from the hands by wetting them, taking a pinch of dry mustard, rubbing it well in and washing it off with soap and water. In the same way the odor of iodoform may be removed from utensils that have contained it, only in this case the mustard should be made into a paste, spread upon them and left for two or three hours.

### Evading Responsibilities.

"I promised that girl never to smoke if she would marry me," said the discouraged looking man.

"What did she say?"

"She remarked that she did not care to be utilized as an excuse for any personal economies I might contemplate."—Washington Star.

### Told You So.

"It's the unexpected that always happens."

"Oh, I don't know! Somebody always claims to have predicted it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Quick Turn.

"Jiggs is quite a magician."

"So?"

"Yep. I just saw him turn his motor into a lamppost."—Buffalo Express.

Let the gulled fool the toil of war pursue, where bleed the many to enrich the few.—Shenstone.

### Didn't Discharge Him.

In the financial district they tell a story of a bank that was in difficulties several years ago and how the clearing house happened to learn of the situation. One of the big national banks was clearing for a certain other bank that was in trouble and every day the president of the clearing house bank would certify $2,000,000 worth of checks for the other. Finally the paying teller called the attention to the fact that he was taking a mighty long chance, but the president paid no attention to the hint. Then the teller informed the clearing house of the situation, and the president was called to book. "Did my paying teller tell you that?" demanded the president. "He did," replied the chairman of the clearing house committee. "I shall discharge him at once," declared the president, bristling up with indignation. "You do and we'll close your bank tomorrow," calmly replied the chairman. Needless to say, the teller was not discharged.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.


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Your son will be that sort of a man if he "plays" through his days of learning. Perhaps you have done it yourself and are one of the plodders.

### THE TRAFFIC LAW

Judging by the way some automobile drivers rush through the streets, that new traffic ordinance can't come to quickly for the protection of public life and limb. We hope it will be enforced and that everybody will be taught to respect it.

There is no time when it is absolutely necessary to drive at a dangerous rate of speed. Some people might try to make believe that their business gives them permission to drive as fast as they please, but this is all a mistake.

Monessen has never enforced speed regulations and there is going to be some trouble getting the new ordinance started. Some people will get a little sore when they are arrested but we have a burgess who will administer a fine according to the ordinance and the sore spots will have to heal over afterwards.

The town is anxiously awaiting the new law and it will be ready within the next two weeks. Who will be the first to feel its effects?

### AMENDMENTS

Senator Clark, father of the 1913 third class city bill, has introduced in the legislature sweeping amendments to his measure in the hope of providing a law that will look good enough to boroughs to change their form of government.

What will become of the amendments is altogether speculative. But while his fight is on in the legislature and while he has publicly confessed that the third class city bill is not just what it ought to be, suppose a number of towns like Monessen had changed their form of government. Suppose they had voted to adopt the law as it was passed in 1913. What would have become of them? It would have been a serious move for there could be no changing back. The entire administration would have changed and should the amendments to the bill be worked in, more complications would arise. Fortunately for the towns that voted on the change they voted it down and it is likely that the Clark bill will be very universally adopted until it is at least declared to be what the people want.

### THE LIQUOR FIGHT

Ten years ago the man who would have said that prohibition would be an issue in our national legislative halls would have been declared crazy. But the year 1914 saw it a real live issue. If the sane man would have said the state legislature would be quibbling between "dry" and "wet," he would have been told that people would not stand for a local option bill that would precipitate a wet and dry fight in counties every two years. Now there is a fight on down at Harrisburg with a governor using every honest measure to make such a bill become a law. The liquor question must be settled soon and removed from politics or it will be the means of disturbing the country and defeating whole parties and great issues. The man who doesn't drink, doesn't want his neighbor to drink and as long as there are two forces and they have a chance, they will fight and the atmosphere might as well be cleared.


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## FOUND GUILTY ON VERY SERIOUS CHARGES

At a hearing Monday before Justice McCallister at Monongahela, A. R. Otterman, former proprietor of the defunct Valley Machine and Turning company at Monongahela at which plant he is alleged to have committed the thefts, was sentenced to thirty days in jail on different charges to run concurently and was fined $1 and the costs in each case.

Otterman was charged with larceny and forcible entry on two counts. Otterman is a member of a well known Pittsburgh family and it is believed he is mentally unbalanced. About one year ago he was kicked on the head by a horse and his actions at times since have been queer. It is probable a commission will be acked to decide on his sanity.

The two charges of forcible entry and larceny brought by A. R. Day, trustee of the Valley Machine and Turning company, which went into bankruptcy some months ago. He alleges that Otterman has forced his way into the plant and carried away large quantities of different materials using a wagon with which to do his work. The larceny charges were made by R. L. Tidball and are alleged to have been committed at the plant of which he was formerly head.

## A MAN I KNOW, AND YOU DO TOO

I know a man who thinks that he could write a book or tame a bee; could run the earth in every way much better than it's run today; could sail a boat or ride a mule or teach the teacher in the school; could beat the band at every squeak were he to train about a week; could do all these were he to try. He doesn't though—I wonder why? I know him like a printed book as well as though I were his cook. I know he thinks that he could run the universe and call it fun; if he could only get a start, that he would play a wondrous part. But still he sits around and waits, and on his merits cogitates. Perform in every line? Great Scott! He knows he could—but he does not. Now, how can I such insight show, and say of him that this is so? The man's myself—I ought to know.

## A Skunk Farm Makes Trouble

Members of the Canonsburg town council and board of health are face to face with a new problem and borough records have been searched in vain, but no relief has been found. The trouble is a polecat farm which Perry Spicer has begun to operate on some vacant land in the Third ward.

The borough has no ordinance forbidding the operation of such farms although piggeries are prohibited. Health officer E. H. Patton was sent to Spicer's place but found that he had no authority as polecats are not necessarily a menace to the public health. Spicer's neighbors have raised objections and the borough may be called upon to enact an ordinance regulating skunk farms.

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